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Output Stage Power Transistor  
Group No. Unknown  
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Customer No. 23456

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant hereby calls to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the following patents and other documents which are listed on attached Form PTO-1449.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of filing date of the above-referenced application.

1. U.S. Patent No. 4,243,946 issued January 6, 1981, to Wang.
2. U.S. Patent No. 4,330,809 issued May 18, 1982, to Stanley.
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,611,180 issued September 9, 1986, to Stanley.
4. U.S. Patent No. 4,644,288 issued February 17, 1987, to Stanley.
5. Motorola Semiconductor Products Inc. Application Note AN-569  
"Transient Thermal Resistance - General Data And Its Use" 1973.
6. Crown Output Device Emulation Protection "Crown's ODEP Circuit"

(undated but admitted to be prior art).

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be considered by the Examiner and made of record as part of the "available prior art" under 37 C.F.R. §1.104.

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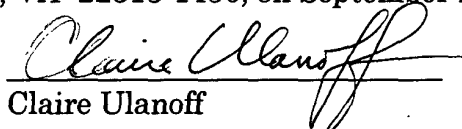


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**MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS**

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